

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3396
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2005
INCIDENT AT DAMOH STATION
Singh Shri Chandrabhan Bhaiya

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that coach of a stationary train at Damoh station in Madhya Pradesh caught fire recently; (
- (b) if so, the details of the incident and reasons therefor;
- (c) the losses of lives and properties therein;
- (d) whether an inquiry has been ordered into the incident;
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken against the officials found guilty; and
- (f) the measures being taken to check recurrence of such incidents?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The coach No. West Central Railway (WCR) 90214/AB of 189 BN (Kota-Damoh Passenger) caught fire on 17.10.2005 due to electrical fault at 14.00 hrs. at platform No. 3 of Damoh station, coach was immediately detached from the rake and the Fire Brigade extinguished the fire at 14.45 hours
- (c) Loss of Railway property has been Rs. 7,00,000/- approximately and there was no loss of lives.
- (d) & (e) A Joint enquiry by the officers of Electrical, Safety and Mechanical Departments has been ordered and the matter is under investigation. The persons found guilty would be acted against.
- (f) The West Central Railway, Jabalpur has issued guidelines to workshops and Maintenance Depots to stop recurrence if such incidents in future.